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SUBJECT: FUTURE SOVIET CIRCULATING EXHIBITS

1. SOVIET EMBASSY CULTURAL COUNSELOR SAKOVICH CALLED DEPARTMENT RECENTLY TO CONVEY INITIAL SOVIET PLANNING FOR CIRCULATING EXHIBITS UNDER 1977-79 PROGRAM OF EXCHANGES. HE SAID ONE ON SOVIET WOMEN MIGHT BEGIN SEPTEMBER 1978 WITH ONE ON SOVIET SPORTS TO FOLLOW.
 2. SAKOVICH HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH ASSOCIATION OF S&T CENTERS, A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING S&T MUSEUMS ACROSS THE US. SAKOVICH NO DOUBT WAS PARTIALLY INSPIRED TO EXPLORE THIS CHANNEL BY FACT THAT MUSEUMS RARELY CHARGE RENT FOR EXHIBITS.
 3. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR SOVIET WOMEN EXHIBIT PROPOSED AS FOLLOWS:
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- FIRST CITY, WASHINGTON, BALTIMORE OR PHILADELPHIA;
 - SECOND, DETROIT AT RENAISSANCE CENTER, THEN ON TO CHICAGO, DES MOINES MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL, DALLAS OR FORT WORTH (TO COINCIDE WITH ANNUAL SEPTEMBER FAIR) AND LOS ANGELES. TOTAL OF 7 CITIES THUS PROPOSED.
 4. OF CITIES MENTIONED DETROIT, DALLAS AND FORTH WORTH

ARE CLOSED -- WE MIGHT CONSIDER DETROIT AS EXCEPTION

ON A RECIPROCAL BASIS, BUT NOT OTHER TWO. BALTIMORE,
DES MOINES, MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL AND LOS ANGELES ARE
OPEN CITIES SURROUNDED BY CLOSED AREAS.

5. DEPARTMENT UNDERTOOK TO REVIEW SOVIET PROPOSALS AND
RESPOND. WILL WELCOME EMBASSY COMMENT. WE NOTE THAT
SEPTEMBER 78 STARTING TIME MEANS SOVIET WOMEN EXHIBIT
LIKELY TO LAST THROUGH 1979 AND SOVIET SPORTS THUS
WOULD PROBABLY BEGIN 1980 UNDER NEXT PROGRAM OF
EXCHANGES. SOVIETS APPEAR TO BE CALCULATING FOR NO
MORE THAN 9 CITIES, LEAVING US LITTLE RECIPROCAL
LEVERAGE TO EXCEED THE 9 QUOTA FOR US EXHIBITS.
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